

118TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 917

To require the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to review any purchase or lease of real estate near a military installation or military airspace in the United States by a foreign person connected to, or subsidized by, the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, or the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Energy and Commerce, Armed Services, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

---

## A BILL

To require the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States to review any purchase or lease of real estate near a military installation or military airspace in the United States by a foreign person connected to, or subsidized by, the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, or the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Military  
3 Installations from Foreign Espionage Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. REVIEW BY COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT**

5 **IN THE UNITED STATES OF REAL ESTATE  
6 PURCHASES OR LEASES NEAR MILITARY IN-  
7 STALLATIONS OR MILITARY AIRSPACE.**

8 (a) **INCLUSION IN DEFINITION OF COVERED TRANS-**  
9 **ACTION.**—Section 721(a)(4) of the Defense Production  
10 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)(4)) is amended—

11 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

12 (A) in clause (i), by striking “; and” and  
13 inserting a semicolon;

14 (B) in clause (ii), by striking the period at  
15 the end and inserting “; and”; and

16 (C) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(iii) any transaction described in  
18 subparagraph (B)(vi) that is proposed,  
19 pending, or completed on or after the date  
20 of the enactment of the Protecting Military  
21 Installations from Foreign Espionage  
22 Act.”; and

23 (2) in subparagraph (B), by adding at the end  
24 the following:

25 “(vi) Notwithstanding clause (ii) or  
26 subparagraph (C), the purchase or lease

1 by, or a concession to, a foreign person of  
2 private or public real estate—

3 “(I) that is located in the United  
4 States and within—

5 “(aa) 100 miles of a military  
6 installation (as defined in section  
7 2801(c)(4) of title 10, United  
8 States Code); or

9 “(bb) 50 miles of—

10 “(AA) a military train-  
11 ing route (as defined in sec-  
12 tion 183a(h) of title 10,  
13 United States Code);

14 “(BB) airspace des-  
15 ignated as special use air-  
16 space under part 73 of title  
17 14, Code of Federal Regula-  
18 tions (or a successor regula-  
19 tion), and managed by the  
20 Department of Defense;

21 “(CC) a controlled fir-  
22 ing area (as defined in sec-  
23 tion 1.1 of title 14, Code of  
24 Federal Regulations (or a  
25 successor regulation)) used

1 by the Department of De-  
2 fense; or

21 (b) MANDATORY UNILATERAL INITIATION OF RE-  
22 VIEWS.—Section 721(b)(1)(D) of the Defense Production  
23 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(b)(1)(D)) is amended—

24 (1) in clause (iii), by redesignating subclauses  
25 (I), (II), and (III) as items (aa), (bb), and (cc), re-

1       spectively, and by moving such items, as so redesignated, 2 ems to the right;

3               (2) by redesignating clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) as  
4       subclauses (I), (II), and (III), respectively, and by  
5       moving such subclauses, as so redesignated, 2 ems  
6       to the right;

7               (3) by striking “Subject to” and inserting the  
8       following:

9                       “(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to”; and

10               (4) by adding at the end the following:

11                       “(ii) MANDATORY UNILATERAL INITI-  
12       ATION OF CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS.—The  
13       Committee shall initiate a review under  
14       subparagraph (A) of a covered transaction  
15       described in subsection (a)(4)(B)(vi).”.

16       (c) CERTIFICATIONS TO CONGRESS.—Section  
17 721(b)(3)(C)(iii) of the Defense Production Act of 1950  
18 (50 U.S.C. 4565(b)(3)(C)(iii)) is amended—

19               (1) in subclause (IV), by striking “; and” and  
20       inserting a semicolon;

21               (2) in subclause (V), by striking the period at  
22       the end and inserting “; and”; and

23               (3) by adding at the end the following:

24                       “(VI) with respect to covered  
25       transactions described in subsection

1 (a)(4)(B)(vi), to the members of the  
2 Senate from the State in which the  
3 military installation, military training  
4 route, special use airspace, controlled  
5 firing area, or military operations  
6 area is located, and the member from  
7 the Congressional District in which  
8 such installation, route, airspace, or  
9 area is located.”.

10 SEC. 3. LIMITATION ON APPROVAL OF ENERGY PROJECTS  
11 RELATED TO REVIEWS CONDUCTED BY COM-  
12 MITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE  
13 UNITED STATES.

14       (a) REVIEW BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.—Section  
15 183a of title 10, United States Code, is amended—  
16           (1) by redesignating subsections (f), (g), and  
17 (h) as subsections (g), (h), and (i), respectively; and  
18           (2) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-  
19 lowing new subsection (f):

“(f) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO REVIEW BY COM-  
MITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT OF THE UNITED  
STATES.—(1) If, during the period during which the De-  
partment of Defense is reviewing an application for an en-  
ergy project filed with the Secretary of Transportation  
under section 44718 of title 49, the purchase, lease, or

1 concession of real property on which the project is planned  
2 to be located is under review or investigation by the Com-  
3 mittee on Foreign Investment in the United States under  
4 section 721 of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50  
5 U.S.C. 4565), the Secretary of Defense—

6           “(A) may not complete review of the project  
7 until the Committee concludes action under such  
8 section 721 with respect to the purchase, lease, or  
9 concession; and

10          “(B) shall notify the Secretary of Transpor-  
11 tation of the delay.

12          “(2) If the Committee on Foreign Investment in the  
13 United States determines that the purchase, lease, or con-  
14 cession of real property on which an energy project de-  
15 scribed in paragraph (1) is planned to be located threatens  
16 to impair the national security of the United States and  
17 refers the purchase, lease, or concession to the President  
18 for further action under section 721(d) of the Defense  
19 Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(d)), the Sec-  
20 retary of Defense shall—

21          “(A) find under subsection (e)(1) that the  
22 project would result in an unacceptable risk to the  
23 national security of the United States; and

1               “(B) transmit that finding to the Secretary of  
2               Transportation for inclusion in the report required  
3               under section 44718(b)(2) of title 49.”.

4               (b) REVIEW BY SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.—  
5   Section 44718 of title 49, United States Code, is amend-  
6   ed—

7               (1) by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-  
8               section (i); and

9               (2) by inserting after subsection (g) the fol-  
10              lowing new subsection:

11              “(h) SPECIAL RULE RELATING TO REVIEW BY COM-  
12              MITTEE ON FOREIGN INVESTMENT OF THE UNITED  
13              STATES.—The Secretary of Transportation may not issue  
14              a determination pursuant to this section with respect to  
15              a proposed structure to be located on real property the  
16              purchase, lease, or concession of which is under review or  
17              investigation by the Committee on Foreign Investment in  
18              the United States under section 721 of the Defense Pro-  
19              duction Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565) until—

20              “(1) the Committee concludes action under  
21              such section 721 with respect to the purchase, lease,  
22              or concession; and

23              “(2) the Secretary of Defense—

24              “(A) issues a finding under section 183a(e)  
25              of title 10; or

1           “(B) advises the Secretary of Transpor-  
2           tation that no finding under section 183a(e) of  
3           title 10 will be forthcoming.”.

○